

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

This is Patent Application of

PATANIAN et al.

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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ASSESSING

PERFORMANCE OF COMBINED CYCLE POWER-PLANTS

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Group: 2863

Examiner: Bhat, Aditya

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

LETTER

This is in response to the Office Action of September 16, 2003.

Applicant encloses a Terminal Disclaimer disclaiming the portion of the term of any patent issuing from the present application to the term of any patent issuing from application Serial No. 10/028,936, filed December 28, 2001, of common assignee. The filing of the Terminal Disclaimer is not to be construed as agreement by applicant with the rejection based on double-patenting and is submitted only to advance the prosecution of this application toward the issuance of a patent.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, applicant submits that the application is now in condition for allowance and early notification of the formal allowance of the application is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE Atty Dkt. 839-1106 In re Patent Application of C# M# SEP 3 0 2003 Group Art Unit: 2863 PATANIAN et al. Serial No. 10/028,935 Examiner: Bhat, Aditya Date: September 30, 2003 Filed: December 28 METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ASSESSING PERFORMANCE OF COMBINED Title: CYCLE POWER-PLANTS Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450 Sir: RESPONSE/AMENDMENT/LETTER This is a response/amendment/letter in the above-identified application and includes an attachment which is hereby incorporated by reference and the signature below serves as the signature to the attachment in the absence of any other signature thereon. □ Correspondence Address Indication Form Attached. Fees are attached as calculated below: Total effective claims after amendment 18 minus highest number \$ 0.00 previously paid for \$ 18.00 20 (at least 20) =Х minus highest number Independent claims after amendment 0.00 \$ 84.00 \$ previously paid for (at least 3) =5 If proper multiple dependent claims now added for first time, add \$280.00 (ignore improper) \$ 0.00 Petition is hereby made to extend the current due date so as to cover the filing date of this \$ paper and attachment(s) (\$110.00/1 month; \$410.00/2 months; \$930.00/3 months) 0.00 \$ 110.00 Terminal disclaimer enclosed, add \$ 110.00 First/second submission after Final Rejection pursuant to 37 CFR 1.129(a) (\$750.00) \$ 0.00 Please enter the previously unentered . filed Submission attached Subtotal \$ 110.00 -\$ 0.00 If "small entity," then enter half (1/2) of subtotal and subtract Applicant claims "small entity" status.

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